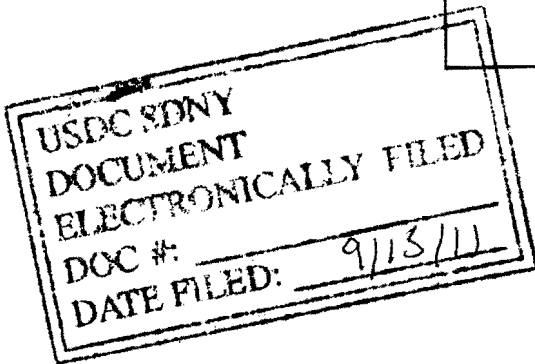
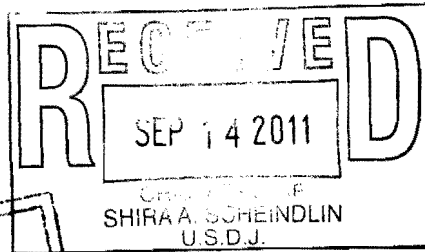


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Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin  
 United States District Court  
 Southern District of New York  
 500 Pearl Street, Room 1620  
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Requests granted. Plaintiffs' reply  
 is due September 23, 2011 and is not  
 to exceed 20 pages. No further extensions  
 will be granted. So ordered.

9/15/11

*Shira A. Scheindlin*  
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 U.S.D.J.

Re: *Walker, Truesdell, Roth & Assoc. v. The Blackstone Group, L.P. (In re Extended Stay, Inc.), 09-13764 (JMP); Civ. Case No. 11-5394 (SAS); Adv. Pro. No. 11-02254 (JMP)*

*Walker, Truesdell, Roth & Assoc. v. The Blackstone Group, L.P. (In re Extended Stay, Inc.), 09-13764 (JMP); Civ. Case No. 11-5396 (SAS); Adv. Pro. No. 11-02255 (JMP)*

*Walker, Truesdell, Roth & Assoc. v. Lightstone Holdings, LLC (In re Extended Stay, Inc.), 09-13764 (JMP); Civ. Case No. 11-5395 (SAS); Adv. Pro. No. 11-02256 (JMP)*

*Walker, Truesdell, Roth & Assoc. v. The Blackstone Group, L.P. (In re Extended Stay, Inc.), 09-13764 (JMP); Civ. Case No. 11-5397 (SAS); Adv. Pro. No. 11-02398 (JMP)*

*Walker, Truesdell, Roth & Assoc. v. Archon Group, L.P. (In re Extended Stay, Inc.), 09-13764 (JMP); Civ. Case No. 11-5864 (SAS); Adv. Pro. No. 11-02259 (JMP)*

Dear Judge Scheindlin:

Our law firm represents the plaintiffs, Walker Truesdell Roth & Associates, and Hobart Truesdell (collectively the "Trustee" for the Extended Stay Litigation Trust), as well as the Litigation Trust itself, in the above referenced actions.

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All of the above matters are the subject of motions by the plaintiffs to withdraw the automatic reference to the bankruptcy court, which were initially filed on July 29, 2011. Thereafter, counsel for the plaintiffs and defendants worked out a proposed Briefing Schedule for the submission of opposition and reply papers, which required the Blackstone and other defendants to file opposition papers by August 30<sup>th</sup> and the plaintiffs to file any reply by this Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. This was discussed with your Chambers in early August by Dan Donovan, Esq., counsel for the Blackstone Defendants, and the undersigned.

A fifth motion to withdraw the reference filed by the Forman Holt law firm ("Conflicts Counsel") occurred on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, necessitating a revision of the briefing schedule among the parties. The parties thereafter agreed that the Blackstone Defendants would submit their opposition papers by September 7<sup>th</sup> and the defendants subject to Conflicts Counsel complaint would file their opposition September 9<sup>th</sup>, all of which has in fact occurred. As part of this modified Briefing Schedule, the parties have agreed the reply by the plaintiffs has been extended to September 23<sup>rd</sup>, from September 16<sup>th</sup>. We respectfully request the Court grant this further adjournment as agreed to among the parties.

Further, the Court's rules provide for a ten page limitation on reply papers. Given that several defendants have submitted opposition briefs to the motions, we ask that the plaintiffs represented by my law firm be granted up to 20 pages for reply. We have spoken with counsel for the Blackstone Defendants and they have no objection.

Thank you for your consideration of the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,



Marc D. Powers

cc: All Defense Counsel for Appearing Defendants (via PDF)